

Senate File 2284

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1 Amend Senate File 2284 as follows:

2 1. Page 31, line 6, after <PREPARATION> by
3 inserting <AND>

4 2. Page 31, after line 21 by inserting:
5 <Sec. _____. Section 272.2, subsection 13, Code
6 Supplement 2011, is amended to read as follows:

7 13. Adopt rules to provide for nontraditional
8 preparation options for licensing persons who hold
9 a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or
10 university, who do not meet other requirements for
11 licensure. The rules shall include but not be limited
12 to alternative pathways to the initial teacher license
13 and initial administrator license or endorsement
14 in accordance with section 272.16. The rules shall
15 prescribe standards and procedures for the approval of
16 alternative principal licensing programs which may be
17 offered in this state by designated agencies located
18 within or outside this state. Procedures provided for
19 approval of alternative principal licensing programs
20 shall include procedures for enforcement of the
21 prescribed standards.

22 Sec. _____. NEW SECTION. 272.16 Alternative
23 licensure and endorsement.

24 1. The board shall establish alternative licensure
25 pathways for an initial teacher license and an initial
26 administrator license and endorsement.

27 2. The alternative pathway for an initial teacher
28 license shall include all of the following components:

29 a. A requirement that the applicant for the
30 alternative pathway to an initial teacher license meet
31 all of the following criteria:

32 (1) Hold, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree from
33 a regionally accredited postsecondary institution and
34 twenty-four postsecondary credit hours in the content
35 area to be taught at the licensure level sought by the
36 applicant; or, in order to teach a foreign language,
37 the applicant shall hold at least a bachelor's degree
38 and be a native speaker of the language to be taught.

39 (2) Have successfully passed a background check
40 conducted in accordance with section 272.2, subsection
41 17.

42 (3) Have at least three recent consecutive years of
43 successful, relevant work experience.

44 (4) Have successfully passed a basic skills test,
45 approved by the executive director, for acceptance.
46 An applicant utilizing the alternative pathway to an
47 initial teacher license shall not be issued such a
48 license unless the student achieves scores above the
49 twenty-fifth percentile nationally on an examination
50 approved by the executive director for knowledge of

1 pedagogies and in at least one content area.

2 (5) Have a cumulative postgraduate grade point
3 average of at least three on a four-point scale, or its
4 equivalent if another grade scale is used.

5 b. A requirement that the person issued an initial
6 teacher license pursuant to this subsection shall,
7 during the person's first three years of teaching,
8 successfully complete a beginning teacher mentoring and
9 induction program pursuant to section 284.5, and shall
10 successfully complete eighteen postsecondary credit
11 hours of pedagogy coursework before the person may be
12 issued a license beyond the initial license.

13 3. The alternative pathway for an initial
14 administrator license shall include all of the
15 following components:

16 a. A requirement that the applicant for the
17 alternative pathway to an initial administrator license
18 meet all of the following criteria:

19 (1) Hold, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree from a
20 regionally accredited postsecondary institution.

21 (2) Have successfully passed a background check
22 conducted in accordance with section 272.2, subsection
23 17.

24 b. A requirement that a person who is issued an
25 initial administrator license through the alternative
26 pathway specified by this subsection may be employed by
27 a school district or accredited nonpublic school and,
28 for the first consecutive three years of employment
29 as a building principal, shall be supervised and
30 mentored by a person who holds a valid professional
31 administrator license.

32 4. A person with at least five recent years of
33 successful experience as a professional educator, and
34 who is enrolled in an alternative principal licensing
35 program approved by the state board of education, may
36 qualify for an initial administrator license.

37 5. A person with at least five recent years of
38 successful management experience in business; industry;
39 local, state, or federal government; or the military
40 service of the United States, and who has successfully
41 completed an alternative principal licensing program
42 approved by the state board of education, may qualify
43 for an initial administrator license.

44 6. a. The alternative pathway for an initial
45 administrator endorsement for school superintendents
46 and area education agency administrators shall require
47 an applicant to meet all of the following criteria:

48 (1) Hold, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree from a
49 regionally accredited postsecondary institution.

50 (2) Have successfully passed a background check

1 conducted in accordance with section 272.2, subsection
2 17.

3 (3) Have at least five recent years of successful,
4 relevant experience as a professional educator or
5 management experience in business; industry; local,
6 state, or federal government; or the military service
7 of the United States.

8 b. A person issued an initial administrator
9 endorsement for superintendents or area education
10 agency administrators under this subsection shall
11 successfully complete a beginning mentoring and
12 induction program with a mentor who is a superintendent
13 or area education agency administrator, as appropriate.

14 c. A person issued an initial administrator
15 endorsement for superintendents or area education
16 agency administrators pursuant to this subsection,
17 who successfully completes three years of experience
18 as a superintendent or area education agency
19 administrator, may be issued a license beyond the
20 initial administrator endorsement.

21 7. Upon application, a person who holds an initial
22 administrator license issued pursuant to subsection 3,
23 and who has three years of successful experience as a
24 principal, shall be issued a professional administrator
25 license.>

26 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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